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Richard Cary Williams, 87, founded Haydn Society

Richard Cary Williams, age 87, died on Sun., Nov. 18, in Foster, R.I. Mr. Williams was born in Milton on Feb. 9, 1920, the son of Edward C. Williams of Boston and Elinor Wilson Williams of Wilmington, Del. He was the grandson of civil war hero Major General James Harrison Wilson.



Mr. Williams attended Fay School and St. Mark's School, both in Southborough and graduated in 1935. He was a class of 1942 graduate of Harvard College. Mr. Williams joined the U.S. Navy during World War II, serving as a signalman in harbor entrance control in Portland, Maine, which served as home base for destroyers of the Atlantic fleet. He graduated from midshipman's training school as an ensign in 1945 and was assigned to amphibious operations as a gunnery and communications officer in the 7th on Landing Ship Medium #232. He served in fleet operations in Guadalcanal, Saipan, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa.

At the end of the war, he joined the National Shawmut Bank of Boston as manager of the advertising and new business development

department. He also served as president and CEO of Cimarron Management Corp. of Boston and Oklahoma City, an investor oil and gas exploration company. For over 20 years, he was vice president and director of Hamilton Cornell Associates, a management-consulting firm based in Duxbury and Hingham.

Mr. Williams was a resident of Duxbury for over 40 years. He was a member of the Phoenix Club of Harvard. He was also a lover of classical music and one of the founders of the Haydn Society of Boston, a corporation devoted to recording and publishing the complete works of the 18th century Austrian composer Franz Joseph Haydn.

Mr. Williams leaves his children, Elinor Williams of San Diego, Calif., Laura Onessimo of Milton, and James Harrison Williams of Duxbury. He was also the father of the late Richard C. Williams Jr. He leaves one grandchild, Gabrielle Onessimo of Milton. He also leaves his long time companion Lorraine de Wet Hôwes of Foster, R.I. He was the former husband of Helen Rushton Williams of Duxbury.

A memorial service will be held on Sat., Dec. 29, 1 p.m., at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 112 Randolph Ave., Milton. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Home and Hospice Care of Rhode Island, 169 George St., Pawtucket, R.I., 02860.